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REMARKS

Claims 1 – 26 are currently pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1 – 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Shoji *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,157,609) hereinafter 'Shoji'.

Applicant is grateful for the interview granted Applicant's Attorney (William J. Benman) on October 4, 2007 during which the Examiner (Kim Chu) made very useful suggestions regarding the prosecution of the Application.

The Claims have been amended by this Paper in accordance with the suggestions of the Examiner. Specifically, the Claims have been amended to recite utilization of an error signal to adjust write timing to provide a mark or a space on an optical disc that is precisely spatially located relative to a spatial feature so that spatial features that would otherwise affect the timing of a transition of a binary read data signal if a transition between a mark and a space is near the spatial feature, is not detectable in the binary read data signal inasmuch as the transition between a mark and a space is not near the spatial feature.

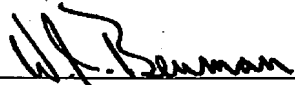
Support for the amendments proposed herein and the new claims may be found at page 14, lines 5 – 8 (paragraph 0038).

Clearly, the prior art does not teach, disclose or suggest a system or method for writing data on an optical disc with a means or method for adjusting write timing to provide a mark or space on the disc that is precisely spatially located relative to a spatial feature so that spatial features that would otherwise affect the timing of a transition of a binary read data signal if a transition between a mark and a space is near the spatial feature, is not detectable in the binary read data signal inasmuch as the transition between a mark and a space is not near the spatial feature as presently claimed.

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Accordingly, reconsideration, allowance and passage of the presently pending
Claims to issue are respectfully requested.

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